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<p>IN RE APPLICATION OF: Nora B. Aghassi Kim Franceschini Paul J. Ardi</p> <p>SERIAL NO. 09/515,283</p> <p>FILED: February 29, 2000</p> <p>TITLE: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING TISSUE SAMPLES</p>	<p>ATTY DKT NO. P-6335.01CIP</p>
<p>TO: Box RESPONSE/FEE Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231</p>	

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS
(RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION)

- I. ☒ This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed May 15, 2000.

NOTE: If these papers are filed before the office letter issues, adequate identification of the original papers should be made (e.g., in addition to the name of the inventor and title of invention, the filing date based on the "Express Mail" procedure, the serial number from the return post card or the attorney's docket number added).

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

NOTE: The PTO requires that a copy of Form PTO-1533 be returned with the response to the notice to file missing parts to the application.

DECLARATION OR OATH

- II. ☒ No original declaration or oath was filed, and enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

- ☐ The original declaration or oath which was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.41(a) points out that "Full names must be stated, including the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial.

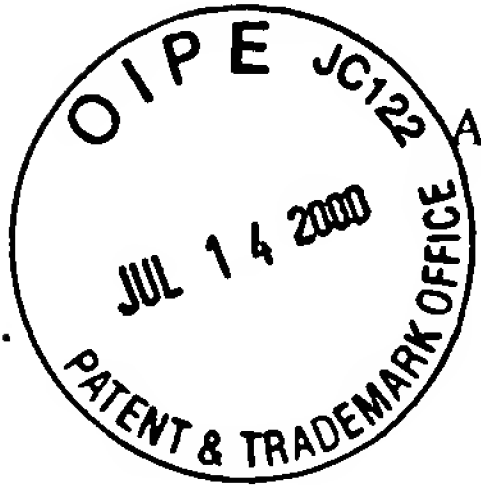
NOTE: For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date complete item VI(3) below.

NOTE: Acceptable minimums in the declaration for identification of the specification to which it applies are the name of the inventor and (1) serial number, (2) attorney docket number which was on the application as filed and the filing date, (3) title of the invention and filing date, (4) title of invention and reference to a specification which is attached to the declaration at the time of execution and filed with the declaration or, (5) title of invention and a statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor executed by signing the declaration. If identification (4) is used, it must be accompanied by a statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date. Such a statement must be a verified statement if made by a person not registered to

practice before the PTO. Notice of September 12, 1983 (1035 O.G. 3).

NOTE: Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 CFR 1.10(c)

(Complete (c) or (d), if applicable.)



Attached is a:

- (c) ☐ Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (d) ☐ Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

AMENDMENT CANCELLING CLAIMS

- III. ☐ Cancel claims _____, inclusive.

TRANSMITTAL OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION
OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS

- IV. ☐ Submitted herewith is a verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO.

NOTE: For fee processing a non-English application complete item VI(5) below.

NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTO need not be translated. 37 CFR 1.69(b)

NOTE: The translation for a regular application filed in a foreign language must be verified. 37 CFR 1.52(d)

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

- V. ☒ A verified statement that this filing is by a small entity.

NOTE: If an original verified statement and a refund request is filed within two months of the date of payment of a fee, then the excess fee paid will be refunded on request. 37 CFR 1.28(a).

☒ Is attached.

☐ A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

☐ Was filed on _____, 19__.

COMPLETION FEES

WARNING: Failure to submit the surcharge fees where required will cause the application to become abandoned. 37 CFR 1.53(d)

NOTE: The filing fees, fees for claims and surcharge fees listed below in items 1, 2 and 3 are reduced by 50% where proof of a small entity status is established on or before the date the fee is paid. If the full fee was paid but a verified statement is filed within two months of the date of timely payment of a fee, then the excess fee paid will be refunded on request. 37 CFR 1.28(a)

VI. 1. Filing fee:

☐ Original patent application (37 CFR 1.16(a)) - \$690.00; Small entity - \$415.00.....\$_____

☐ Design application (37 CFR 1.16(f)) - \$310.00; Small entity - \$155.00.....\$_____

2. Fees for claims:

☒ Each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 CFR 1.16(b)) - \$78.00; Small entity - \$39.00.....\$39.00

☐ Each claim in excess of 20 (37 CFR 1.16(c)) - \$18.00; Small entity - \$9.00.....\$_____

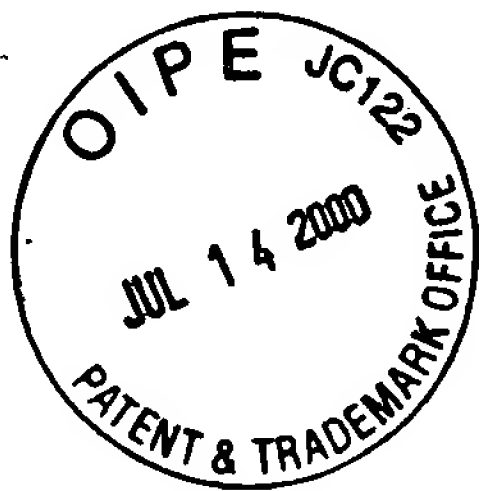
☐ Multiple dependent claim(s) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) - \$260.00; Small entity - \$130.00.....\$_____

3. Surcharge fees:

☐ Late payment of filing fee. (\$130.00 Large Entity)

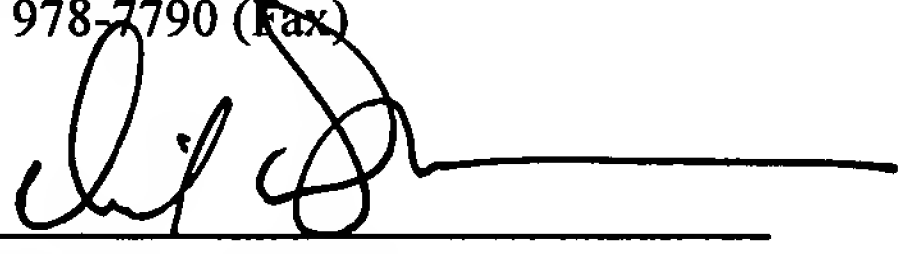
and/or

☒ Late filing of original declaration or oath (37 CFR 1.16(e)) (\$65.00; Small entity)



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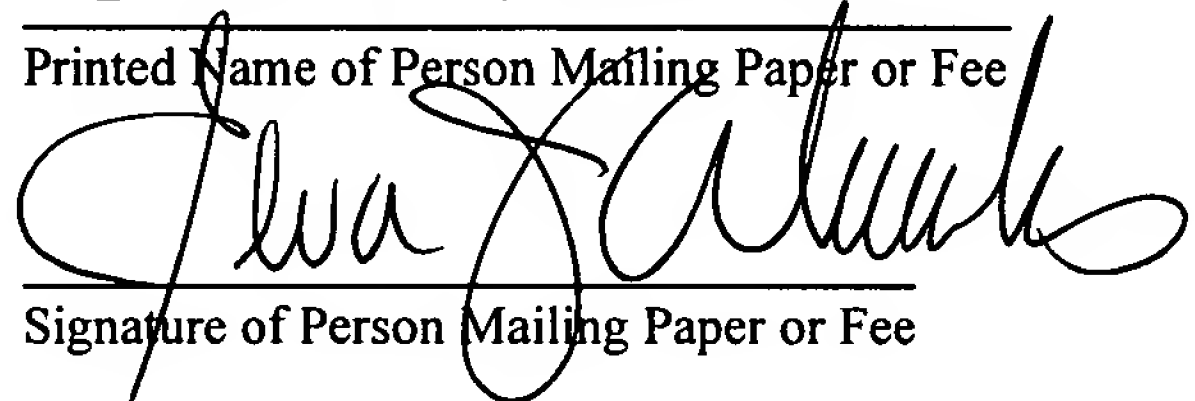
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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited on the date shown below with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the "Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231", as follows:

<p><u>37 CFR 1.8(a)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> With sufficient postage as First Class Mail.</p> <p>Date: _____, 20__</p>	<p><u>37 CFR 1.10</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", Mailing Label No. EL423209433US.</p> <p>Date: July 14, 2000.</p>
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